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[redacted] (IMD) (FBI)

**From:** Thomas Woodard [redacted]  
**Sent:** Saturday, February 24, 2018 12:07 PM  
**To:** [redacted] (RMD) (FBI)  
**Subject:** Re: Prepublication Appeal Questions  
**Attachments:** Letter from RMD AD rec 22 Feb 2018.pdf

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I received the attached correspondence from your Assistant Director (acting with the delegated authority of the FBI Director). Kindly provide me with the contact information (and procedure) to Rod Rosenstein's office, so I may grieve/appeal this to the next level. (as described in 28 CFR 17.18 - Prepublication review)

On Fri, Feb 2, 2018 at 10:35 PM, Thomas Woodard <[redacted]> wrote:

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Prepublication Review

540 868-1697

From: Thomas Woodard [mailto:[REDACTED]]  
Sent: Tuesday, January 02, 2018 9:56 PM

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To: [REDACTED] (RMD) (FBI) [REDACTED]@fbi.gov>  
Subject: Re: Prepublication Appeal Questions

[REDACTED]

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**Sent:** Friday, February 02, 2018 10:36 PM  
**To:** [redacted] (RMD) (FBI)  
**Subject:** Re: Prepublication Appeal Questions

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[REDACTED]

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**From:** Thomas Woodard [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 31, 2017 8:27 PM  
**To:** FBI.PREPUB  
**Subject:** Re: Woodard Redaction documents  
**Attachments:** Woodard Grievance for redaction of materials.pdf

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[REDACTED]

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Is Oct 5th the start date of the grievance?

Who is this grievance going to?

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Also, I have attached my brief.

On Thu, Oct 26, 2017 at 9:47 AM, FBI.PREPUB [REDACTED] wrote:

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Good morning,

We have received your appeal and will begin the process.

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I want to appeal the redactions and start the grievance process.

On Tue, Oct 17, 2017 at 1:32 PM, Thomas Woodard [REDACTED] wrote:

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Is this policy derived from any federal law?

On Tue, Oct 17, 2017 at 10:51 AM, FBI.PREPUB [REDACTED] wrote:

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Good morning,

See Prepublication Review Policy Guide, Section 4.1.4.

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**Sent:** Tuesday, October 17, 2017 7:11 AM  
**To:** FBI.PREPUB [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Re: Woodard Redaction documents

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[redacted] (IMD) (FBI)

**From:** Thomas Woodard [redacted]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 17, 2017 1:33 PM  
**To:** FBI.PREPUB  
**Subject:** Re: Woodard Redaction documents

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Is this policy derived from any federal law?

On Tue, Oct 17, 2017 at 10:51 AM, FBI.PREPUB [redacted] wrote:

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**From:** Thomas Woodard [redacted]  
**Sent:** Sunday, October 01, 2017 2:39 PM  
**To:** FBI.PREPUB  
**Subject:** Fwd: Request for publication  
**Attachments:** Grevience to Deputy Attorney General.pdf

Forgot to approve this one...

and my correct address is [redacted] (in case you mailed it to the wrong address.)

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Good morning Mr. Woodard,

Please see the prepublication letter and corresponding documents attached.

A letter has also been mailed to the following address:

[redacted]

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Thanks.

FBI Prepublication

----- Forwarded message -----

**From:** Thomas Woodard [redacted]  
**Date:** Sat, Aug 12, 2017 at 7:30 AM  
**Subject:** Request for publication  
**To:** "FBI.PREPUB" <[redacted]>

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See attached

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**From:** Thomas Woodard <[redacted]>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 27, 2017 6:30 PM  
**To:** FBI.PREPUB  
**Subject:** Re: request for publication

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I have not heard anything on any of the documents I submitted May 30th, May 31st, and June 1st 2017. I am planning on presenting next week. Are these document approved?

On Fri, Jun 2, 2017 at 10:21 AM, FBI.PREPUB <[redacted]> wrote:

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Good morning,

We have received your request for prepub review. The documents are currently under review. Please do not publish till you receive approval.

[redacted]

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**From:** Thomas Woodard [mailto:[redacted]]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 01, 2017 5:49 AM  
**To:** FBI.PREPUB <[redacted]>  
**Subject:** request for publication

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see attached

my address is:

[redacted]

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Regards,



Thomas A. Woodard

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"They swore, if we gave them our weapons, that the wars of the tribes would cease. But when we disarmed They sold us and delivered us bound to our foe, and the Gods of the Copybook Headings said: *"Stick to the Devil you know."*" - Joseph Rudyard Kipling 1919

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Thomas Woodard



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"Only a Sith Lord deals in absolutes." - Obi Wan Kenobi

**Case Brief** - Woodard Grievance for removal of redaction of materials

**Case** - Thomas Woodard asserts his First Amendment right of free speech.

**Facts** - Thomas Woodard submitted prepublication requests and was approved for publication in part. Woodard asked about the following redactions:

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**Rules** - Amendment I. Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances.

28 CFR 17.18 - Prepublication review.

FBI Prepublication Review Policy Guide (Section 4.1.4) redact portions that could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

20 CFR 402.100 - Exemption six: Clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

18 U.S. Code § 3771 - Crime victims' rights

#### **Reasoning -**

##### Privacy Interests

I believe the privacy interest of the named individuals is minimal. The disclosure of this information is in the public interest. It is reasonable to believe that some of these activities would be considered Brady Material<sup>1</sup> and would give criminal attorneys an opportunity to question these individuals about their activities thus giving the accused defendant due process. It would also give lawmakers the knowledge that the agency was aware of such activities and

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<sup>1</sup> <https://californiainnocenceproject.org/issues-we-face/brady-material/>

choose to ignore them. The FBI choose to ignore this misconduct but they can never say they didn't know. Privacy interests should not apply when an employee is acting outside the scope of their duties. These employees were acting outside the scope of their duties when they plagiarized course material, used copyrighted material, attempted to do a direct hire of a clearly unqualified candidate, Stole government equipment from the FBI, hacked into a government computer because they were mad at the instructor.

Crime Victims rights

Woodard is a victim of a crime. The computer he was using was hacked into; files deleted and pop up were placed on the screen, the screen was displayed upside down causing Woodard to stop teaching and release the class. Woodard made a report of the crime to law enforcement (FBI). Law enforcement (FBI) choose to use officer discretion and not affect an arrest. The FBI choose to use this as a teachable moment to show the class that "just because you can do something does not mean you should". This does not change the fact that Woodard is the victim of a crime and he has the right to be heard.

**Opinion** - The FBI should approve the redacted items for any employee that was acting outside the scope of their duties or committed a crime.

Woodard is willing to allow the FBI to give notice to the named individuals and allow them to seek action through a judicial review process by filing for declaratory relief if such process is done within a reasonable amount of time. Many of these employees are still employed by the FBI and working cases which make the public interest much more acute.

[REDACTED] (IMD) (FBI)

**From:** [REDACTED] (RMD) (FBI)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 07, 2018 11:13 AM  
**To:** [REDACTED] (RMD) (FBI)  
**Subject:** FW: Thomas Woodard prepublication request --- UNCLASSIFIED//~~FOUO~~

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**From:** [REDACTED] (RMD) (FBI)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 27, 2017 4:19 PM  
**To:** CARRICO, JOSEPH E. (OTD) (FBI); [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** [REDACTED] (OTD) (FBI); [REDACTED] (OTD) (FBI); [REDACTED] (RMD) (FBI); [REDACTED] (OGC) (FBI); [REDACTED] (RMD) (FBI); [REDACTED]  
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Thank you for all of your help.

Here is the final redacted version – we plan to get this out to Woodard this week.



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**From:** CARRICO, JOSEPH E. (OTD) (FBI)  
**Sent:** Friday, September 22, 2017 4:23 PM  
**To:** [REDACTED] (RMD) (FBI); [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** [REDACTED] (OTD) (FBI); [REDACTED] (OTD) (FBI); [REDACTED] (RMD) (FBI); [REDACTED] (OGC) (FBI); [REDACTED]  
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UC [redacted]

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Regarding the final items:

[redacted]

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Thanks for your patience.

Have a great weekend,

*Joe*

Joseph E. Carrico  
Section Chief, Digital Forensics and Analysis Section  
Operational Technology Division

Desk: [redacted]

Cell: [redacted]

unclass email [redacted]@fbi.gov

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From: [redacted] (RMD) (FBI)

Sent: Thursday, September 21, 2017 4:09 PM

To: CARRICO, JOSEPH E. (OTD) (FBI) <[redacted]>

Cc: [redacted] (OTD) (FBI) <[redacted]>

[redacted] (OTD) (FBI)

<[redacted]> (RMD) (FBI) <[redacted]>

(OGC) (FBI) <[redacted]>

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As you can see, I've lost my mind working on this case. Let me start this email over.

SC Carrico,

[redacted]

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Let us know.

Thank you again for your help on this review.

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From: [REDACTED] (RMD) (FBI)

Sent: Thursday, September 21, 2017 4:03 PM

To: CARRICO, JOSEPH E. (OTD) (FBI) [REDACTED]

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Cc: [REDACTED] (OTD) (FBI) [REDACTED] (OTD) (FBI)

[REDACTED] (RMD) (FBI) [REDACTED]

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Sent: Wednesday, September 20, 2017 1:37 PM

To: [REDACTED] (RMD) (FBI) [REDACTED]

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Cc: [REDACTED] (OTD) (FBI) [REDACTED] (OTD) (FBI)

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(OGC) (FBI) [REDACTED]

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Attached below are the final markings we propose:



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Thanks,

*Joe*

Joseph E. Carrico  
Section Chief, Digital Forensics and Analysis Section  
Operational Technology Division  
Desk: [REDACTED]  
Cell: [REDACTED]  
unclass email [REDACTED]@fbi.gov

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Cc: CARRICO, JOSEPH E. (OTD) (FBI) <[REDACTED]> (OTD) (FBI)  
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OTD – are you good to go with this material?

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I've reviewed. Thanks for keeping me in the loop.











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As promised, I've attached Woodard's materials with RMD's proposed redactions. We've asked OTD to do a technical review of the material to make sure FBI equities are protected.

Once OTD gives RMD the ok, we will notify Woodard he may publish the material as long as the redactions are made.



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**From:**  (RMD) (FBI)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 06, 2017 5:12 PM  
**To:** CARRICO, JOSEPH E. (OTD) (FBI)   
**Cc:**  (RMD) (FBI)   
**Subject:** Thomas Woodard prepublication request --- UNCLASSIFIED

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Good evening SC Carrico,

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I am the FBI prepublication contact for current and former employees wishing to publish documents outside the bureau. We have received several request from [redacted] Thomas Woodard to publish the attached documents. SC Hardy has asked me to e-mail you a copy for review. Could OTD please review the documents for technical FBI sensitive material? The highlights are our proposed redactions. Please contact me or UC [redacted] if you have any questions or concerns.

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Thanks for your help.



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U.S. Department of Justice

Federal Bureau of Investigation

Records Management Division

Winchester, VA 22602-4843

September 30, 2017

Mr. Thomas A. Woodard



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Re: "Misconduct and Retaliation Documents"

Dear Mr. Woodard,

This letter is in response to your request of May 30, 2017, for review of the above referenced material for publication pursuant to the Federal Bureau of Investigation's (FBI) Prepublication Review Policy (PRP) and Prepublication Review Policy Guide (0792PG).

The submission was reviewed with respect to FBI equities under the terms of the PRP and we have applied the appropriate redactions to the FBI information. Our findings are based on Bureau publication and security policy and extend only to the release of information contained in your submission. This, however, does not constitute approval by the FBI for you to engage in publication for compensation, sale, or other commercial use of your work. In that regard, you must also comply with the Standards of Ethical Conduct for the Executive Branch.

The Standards limit the circumstances under which an employee may accept compensation for the sale or publication of written works. The Standards also limit the extent to which you may use your official title, position, FBI status, or other indicia of your FBI employment in connection with publishing, advertising or marketing your work, to include mention in any biographical statement related to the work, such as in a "dust jacket." If you intend to mention in your biographical statement that you work for the FBI, you should consult the Office of Integrity and Compliance (OIC).

Again, compliance with the prepublication policy does not relieve you of the obligation to comply with the Standards and other applicable FBI and Office of Government Ethics regulations or policies. Prior to taking any further action with respect to this work, consider applicable regulations as set forth in the FBI Ethics and Integrity Program Policy Guide (0454PG), with particular attention to Sections 4.8. and 4.9. You may also be required to submit an FD-331 Outside Employment Form depending on how you intend to sell or market your work. Please contact the OIC if you have any questions regarding these regulations.

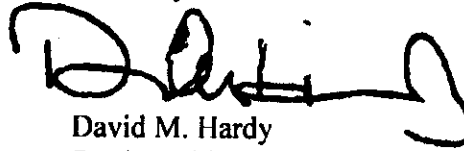
As your work may also impact the mission of the Office of Public Affairs, a copy of this letter has been forwarded to that office for their information.

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Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact [redacted] at (540) 868-1697 or via e-mail at [redacted]. Thank you for your participation in the FBI's prepublication review process.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Hardy", with a stylized flourish at the end.

David M. Hardy  
Section Chief  
Record/Information  
Dissemination Section

Timeline:

Woodard requests for FBI RMD Prepublication Review:

RMD Prepublication review response to Woodard: September 29, 2017

Background –

- Woodard's request – timetable
- Congressional request – this response addressed the FBI RMD prepublication review process.

Re:

Dear Congressman Wittman:

This letter responds to your request on behalf of Thomas Woodard dated September 12, 2017. This document will address the FBI Record Management Division, Record/Information Dissemination Section (RMD RIDS) prepublication review process.

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Woodard: Congressional

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The outcome I would like to see is for me to enjoy the rights enjoyed by all citizens... the right to express myself without government interference or retaliation. The FBI should not get to control what someone says... That's creepy. [Subject to prepublication review per employment agreement; Section 1.1 and 1.3.]

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[Section 3.1; Section 4.1.5 - Accountability for Disclosure.]
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[Section 4.3.2 - Appeals]
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[Section 4.4.1: Oral, written or electronic disclosures.].
7. No consequences for not meeting deadlines. Everyone has consequences for what they do or don't do. This should be no different. When the agency head speaks to congress this is one of the points that should be brought up. If he cannot meet the deadlines then why not? [Section 4.3.1 - RMD response time.]

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Time depends on complexity & security

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Section 3.1 of the Prepublication Policy states, in part:

*"In light of the FBI's significant responsibilities to protect national security and ensure the effective enforcement of federal laws that could be compromised by disclosing FBI information to unauthorized recipients, it is FBI policy that prior to any proposed disclosure of FBI information (outside of official duty requirements), all FBI personnel must comply with the prepublication review process as described in this section."*

*Determinations made with respect to prepublication will consider rights protected by the First Amendment to the United States Constitution, the relationship between the individual's expression and his or her employment, and the potential of the proposed disclosure to affect FBI operations. FBI personnel who fail to comply with the prepublication review process or who make prohibited disclosures are subject to administrative actions, clearance revocations, disciplinary actions, civil suits, and/or criminal sanctions, as appropriate."*

FBI RMD will conduct a prepublication review of oral, written, or electronic disclosures. Prepublication reviews are generally conducted on a first in, first out basis. In most cases, RMD RIDS strives to complete reviews within 30-days, though a review may take longer depending upon several factors including the availability of personnel to complete the review, the sensitivity of the content matter, and the need for RMD RIDS to consult subject matter experts in other Divisions.



In Mr. Woodard's case, RMD RIDS communicated the results of the prepublication review (and proposed redactions) to him on September 29, 2017. A current or former FBI employee may appeal the prepublication decision to RMD's Assistant Director.

Rod Rosenstein  
Deputy Attorney General  
U.S. Department of Justice  
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20530-0001

22 August 2017

Rod,

I have attached the grievance written to FBI Assistant Director Michelle Ann Jupina dated 1 August 2017 and the three documents requested for publication. It has been 15 working days, and according to 28 CFR 17.18 and FBI policy prepublication review, you are the next level of the grievance process.

I am an FBI whistleblower, and I have a story to tell. I submitted three pre-publication requests from 30 May 2017 to 1 June 2017, and they have not been approved. This is not timely and should be approved.

What I have to say will be unpopular within the FBI management because it shows how these managers were not acting in the best interest of the nation and the best case scenario, used poor judgment; in the worst case, intentionally covered-up a crime. I believe they were more interested in protecting the FBI's reputation for integrity rather than having integrity.

The FBI has not met its obligations under the law by failing to approving this within 30 working days. Please instruct the FBI to approve these materials immediately. Please inform the FBI that they are a part of the Department of Justice and have some obligation to follow the law.

Regards,  
Thomas Woodard



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"Even a dog knows the difference between being kicked and being stumbled over." - Oliver Wendell Holmes, Sr.

This letter was sent via first class mail on 22 August 2017

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**From:** Thomas Woodard (mailto:[redacted])  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 5, 2017 8:01 PM  
**To:** Kimball, Cheryl <[redacted]>  
**Subject:** Woodard Documents

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Cheryl,

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Regards,

Thomas A. Woodard  
[redacted]

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Dana J. Boente  
Assistant Attorney General for National Security  
Department of Justice  
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW.  
Washington, DC 20530

27 July 2017

Dana,

I am an employee of the FBI and a fervent believer in the Constitution. I have a problem with the FBI's interpretation of 28 CFR 17.18. Within their policy (Prepublication Review Policy Guide 0792PG dated June 04, 2015)

Point 1 Page 6 of the policy (Threat of retaliation)

**4.1.5. Accountability for Permitted Disclosures**

Disclosures will not be prohibited, pursuant to this PG, solely because they are critical or disparaging of the FBI, the government, or any individual. Any disclosures by current FBI personnel, however, that adversely affect the ability to effectively and efficiently fulfill their official responsibilities or that interfere with FBI operations may subject the individuals to administrative or disciplinary actions for the consequences of the disclosures. Examples of disclosures that are not prohibited under this PG, but still may subject FBI personnel to disciplinary actions are the disclosures of private grievances and disclosures that significantly impair discipline or harmony among co-workers. These types of disclosures could have detrimental impacts on close working relationships where personal loyalty or confidence is necessary, impede the performance of the duties of FBI personnel, or interfere with regular FBI operations. In such cases, FBI personnel will not be prohibited from making such disclosures, but they may be held accountable for the consequences of the disclosures.

I take this as a veiled threat of retaliation... If you bring **disharmony**, or if we see you as **disloyal** then we will **crush you**... I only owe my loyalty to the American People and the Constitution. I would like you to instruct the FBI to remove this language; and replace it with "If an employee is untruthful then they will be held accountable for the untruthful disclosure."

Point 2 Page 11 of the policy (Lack of Due Process)

Appealing a prepublication decision:

- FBI personnel may appeal an adverse decision to the RMD's AD. The AD will act pursuant to a delegation of authority from the Director. The decision of the RMD's AD is final, except in decisions relating to the deletion of classified information, which may be appealed to the deputy Attorney General per 28 CFR § 17.18.

This letter was sent via first class mail on 27 July 2017

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Since when is something final without reaching the courts? This law is all based on a presidential order, allowing an agency to **take away a right (You are not supposed to be able to take rights away)**; even after an employee leaves federal service. Please instruct the FBI to make this policy more in line with 28 CFR 17.18 which allows the employee to tell the agency (after all appeals have been heard) they are still going to publish. It is upon the agency to take the employee to federal court to stop it.

Point 3 (Accountability)

You have given enormous power to a federal agency. You allow them to **suppress free speech**. To help keep an agency accountable it should have to keep statistics. Please instruct the FBI to keep track of the following items and have them posted on the FBI's prepublication page (Available to the public):

1. Number of requests for prepublication by division
2. Number of requests denied (or partially denied and who denied them)
3. Reason for denial
4. Time taken to approve requests (The FBI policy allows 30 working days)
5. Number of requests not approved within the required timeframe, and reason.

Point 4 (Oversight)

No one can police themselves. A committee made up of scholars and community members should meet quarterly in both open meetings, and closed door sessions to hear any feedback that may be given by users of this process, and to ensure the agencies are following the law and the spirit of the law.

Regards,  
Thomas Woodard



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"Nothing is permanent. Everything is subject to change." - Buddha

This letter was sent via first class mail on 27 July 2017

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Michelle Ann Jupina  
Assistant Director of Records Management Division  
Acting with delegated authority of the Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
170 Marcel Drive  
Winchester Va 22602-4483

1 Aug 2017

Michelle,

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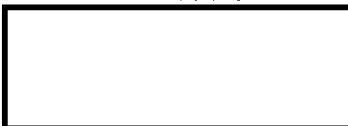
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It may be tempting to "cover" for your fellow Assistant Director, and deny or slow walk this prepublication request.

I ask you to set aside any bias you may or may not have, and just follow the letter of the law:  
It there any classified material in these publications?  
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Regards,  
Thomas Woodard



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1 Aug 2017

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I am resubmitting my Grievance. While preparing my grievance to the next level I discovered I made an administrative error when calculating the date this could be filed. I counted 15 days instead of 15 working days.

Regards,  
Thomas Woodard



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FBI(18-cv-1129)-253



David M. Hardy  
Section Chief, Records/Information Dissemination Section  
Records Management Division  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
170 Marcel Drive  
Winchester Va 22602-4483

12 July 2017

David,

See attached my grievance concerning the untimely approval of three requests to publish that I have submitted. They have not been approved, and it has been more that thirty working days. (In violation of 28 CFR 17.18) Please instruct your subordinates to do the following:

1. Approve for publication all items submitted by Thomas Woodard.
2. Do not discuss the contents submitted with anyone (unless required by law).

Regards,  
Thomas Woodard



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"Without free speech no search for truth is possible." -Charles Bradlaugh

This letter was sent via first class mail on 12 July 2017

FBI(18-cv-1129)-254

***Case Brief - Woodard Grievance for untimely approval of material for publication***

**Case** - Thomas Woodard asserts his First Amendment right of free speech.

**Issues** - Thomas Woodard requests the FBI respect the First Amendment, and allow him to publish requested material in a timely fashion.

**Facts** - Thomas Woodard submitted three separate prepub requests dated 30 May 2017, 31 May 2017 and 1 June 2017. Thomas Woodard did not surrender his first amendment right when he joined the FBI.

**Rules** - Amendment I. Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances.

28 CFR 17.18 - Prepublication review.

**Reasoning** - Thirty working days have passed without approval from the FBI. Thomas Woodard believes the FBI or personnel within the FBI are delaying/slow-walking this process (Slow-Walking - defined by yourdictionary.com as "To delay a request or command, to drag one's feet, to stall, to obstruct, to drag out a process.") because the material is unfavorable to the FBI and personnel within the FBI.

**Opinion** - Woodard submitted three separate requests totaling 33 pages (5,776 words) of material. It should not take this long to approve the request.

**Other Details** - See below how this should be considered 11 pages instead of 33 pages.

**May 30th 2017 OTD Assistant Director - Report of retaliation for reporting misconduct.pdf 9 pages**

Word count

Pages	9
Words	4066
Characters	22941
Characters excluding spaces	18813

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**May 31st 2017 Textforcomic.pdf 2 pages**

Word count

Pages	2
Words	477
Characters	2919
Characters excluding spaces	2464

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**June 1st 2017 Boards.pdf 22 pages**

Word count

Pages	22
Words	1233
Characters	7488
Characters excluding spaces	6310

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$$4066 + 477 + 1233 = 5,776$$

"For those who need a general rule of thumb, a typical page which has 1-inch margins and is typed in 12 point font with standard spacing elements will be approximately 500 words when typed single spaced." - According to Wordcounter.net a page is 500 words

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So essentially this is 11 pages of material. It should not take this long to approve.

**NEAGLE, LOUISE M. (RMD) (FBI)**

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**From:** REES, STEPHEN P. (DI) (FBI)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 13, 2017 4:50 PM  
**To:** NEAGLE, LOUISE M. (RMD) (FBI); [REDACTED] (RMD) (FBI) b6 1  
**Subject:** FW: CONGRESSIONAL / TRIM Document : 17/DO/3163 : Congressional from Congressman Robert J. Wittman on behalf of FBI employee Thomas Alan Woodard regarding allegations of retaliation for reporting misconduct and his concern with the FBI's --- UNCLASSIFIED  
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I received this email today. Are we tracking this and what are the steps we need to take? Thanks

-----Original Message-----

**From:** ExecSec (DO)(FBI)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 13, 2017 12:31 PM  
**To:** [REDACTED] (INSD) (FBI); [REDACTED] (INSD) (FBI) b6 1  
[REDACTED] (INSD) (FBI) b7E 1  
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[REDACTED]; MORGAN, VIVIETTE D. (INSD) (FBI); [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] (INSD) (FBI); [REDACTED] (INSD) (FBI)  
[REDACTED]  
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[REDACTED] (DO) (FBI)

**From:** FBIEXECSEC  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 12, 2017 9:43 AM  
**To:** [REDACTED] (DO) (FBI); [REDACTED] (DO) (FBI)  
**Subject:** FW: A message from Congressman Wittman

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**From:** [REDACTED] (DO) (FBI)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 12, 2017 9:42:30 AM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)  
**To:** FBIEXECSEC  
**Subject:** FW: A message from Congressman Wittman

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**From:** Cheryl Kimball [mailto:[REDACTED]]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 12, 2017 9:22 AM  
**To:** [REDACTED] (DO) (FBI); [REDACTED]@fbi.gov>  
**Subject:** A message from Congressman Wittman

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**ROBERT J. WITTMAN**  
1ST DISTRICT - VIRGINIA

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September 12, 2017

[REDACTED]  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
935 Pennsylvania Ave NW  
Washington, DC 20535-0001

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Dear

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Per your request, below is a copy of an email I received from my constituent, Thomas Woodard regarding the publication of his cartoon. I believe you will find his email self-explanatory.

I would appreciate you reviewing the enclosed documentation and providing me with any information that may be helpful to my constituent. Also, the documents that he references in his email as well as his privacy release form were included in yesterday's initial inquiry. Please direct your response to my office at:

95 Dunn Drive, Ste. 201  
Stafford, VA 22556  
(540) 659-2734 phone (540) 659-2737 fax

I am grateful for any assistance you may be able to provide in this matter.

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Rob Wittman  
Member of Congress

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**Office of Congressman Robert Wittman Privacy Release Form**

In accordance with the Privacy Act, it is necessary for you to complete and sign this form authorizing this office to obtain the information necessary to respond to your request for assistance. By signing this form you understand any documents you provide to Congressman Wittman and his staff may be copied and forwarded to officials of the relevant agency and all federal agencies are allowed a minimum of 30 days to respond to congressional inquiries.

Name (Printed): Thomas Woodard  
Address: [Redacted]  
City: [Redacted] State: [Redacted] Zip Code: [Redacted]  
Telephone Number: [Redacted] Email Address: [Redacted]  
Date of Birth: [Redacted]

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Please provide your Social Security number or any agency case numbers which reference your case (i.e. OWCP Claim Number, A-Number or USCIS Receipt Number, VA Claim Number, Military ID)

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Please explain the nature of your problem and attach any correspondence which supports your statements or relates to your case. If necessary, use additional paper to complete.

Rec'd Pub process with FBI  
pre-Pab

Please state the outcome you are seeking: Have FBI allow me to publish

Have you contacted another Member of Congress about this case? Yes ☒ No ☐

If yes, which Member? House + Sen

Signature: [Signature] Date: 5 Sep 2017

Please Return Form To: **Congressman Rob Wittman**  
95 Dunn Drive, Suite 201, Stafford, Virginia 22556  
(540) 659-2737 facsimile

**From:** [REDACTED] (RMD) (FBI) b6 1  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 28, 2017 11:13 AM  
**To:** [REDACTED] (RMD) (FBI)  
**Cc:** [REDACTED] (RMD) (FBI); HARDY, DAVID M. (RMD) (FBI)  
**Subject:** FW: CONGRESSIONAL / TRIM Document : 17/DO/3163 : Congressional from Congressman Robert J. Wittman on behalf of FBI employee Thomas Alan Woodard regarding allegations of retaliation for reporting misconduct and his concern with the FBI's --- UNCLASSIFIED

**Attachments:** Congressional from Congressman Robert J. Wittman on behalf of FBI employee Thomas Alan Woodard regarding allegations of ~ publication process.PDF

**SentinelCaseId:** NON-RECORD

**Classification: UNCLASSIFIED**

This is the Congressional we were talking about yesterday (via email). Please provide directly to me - since this is a sensitive Congressional. The due date is 10/4, so if possible, please provide NLT Monday morning so I can get it through RMD and over to EXECSEC. Let me know if there are any issues. I am at HQ today and off tomorrow. Thanks,

**Special Assistant to the Deputy Assistant Director Records Management Division**

-----Original Message-----

From: ExecSec (DO)(FBI)  
Sent: Thursday, September 28, 2017 11:09 AM  
To: REES, STEPHEN P. (RMD) (FBI) <[REDACTED]> (RMD) (FBI)  
Cc: [REDACTED] (DO) (FBI) <[REDACTED]> (DO) (FBI)  
[REDACTED] (INSD) (FBI) <[REDACTED]> (INSD)  
(FBI) [REDACTED] (INSD) (FBI) <[REDACTED]>  
(WF) (FBI) [REDACTED] MCNAMARA, NANCY (INSD) (FBI) [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] (INSD) (FBI) [REDACTED] (INSD) (FBI) <[REDACTED]>  
Subject: CONGRESSIONAL / TRIM Document : 17/DO/3163 : Congressional from Congressman Robert J. Wittman on  
behalf of FBI employee Thomas Alan Woodard regarding allegations of retaliation for reporting misconduct and his  
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NOTE: Per consultation with INSD-Conduct and OCA, RMD has been added as an Action office for this TRIM response. RMD is requested to prepare a separate response to Congressman Woodard addressing the pre-publication process. INSD-Conduct will prepare a separate response to address the allegations of retaliation. Additionally, INSD-Conduct's



[REDACTED] (RMD) (FBI)

**From:** Thomas Woodard [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 30, 2017 9:15 PM  
**To:** FBI.PREPUB  
**Subject:** Please approve for publication  
**Attachments:** OTD Assistant Director - Report of retaliation for reporting misconduct.pdf

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see attached.

my address is:

[REDACTED]

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Regards,

Thomas A. Woodard

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"They swore, if we gave them our weapons, that the wars of the tribes would cease. But when we disarmed They sold us and delivered us bound to our foe, and the Gods of the Copybook Headings said: *"Stick to the Devil you know."*" - Joseph Rudyard Kipling 1919

Subject: Woodard Congressional  
Date: 29 September 2017

I. Substance of Woodard's Congressional communication:

Attached are the documents. I mailed them to both Virginia Senators and both the Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on the Constitution and the House Judiciary Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice.

The outcome I would like to see is for me to enjoy the rights enjoyed by all citizens... the right to express myself without government interference or retaliation. The FBI should not get to control what someone says... That's creepy. [Subject to prepublication review per employment agreement; Section 1.1 and 1.3.]

The other outcome is to have the FBI change its pre-publication policy be changed in the following ways:

1. Remove the language threatening retaliation (bringing disharmony or being disloyal). [Section 3.1; Section 4.1.5 - Accountability for Disclosure.]
2. Allow due process if an employee disagrees with management. (Record Management Assistant Directors decision should not be final). [Section 4.3.2 - Appeals]
3. Accountability. Have the FBI gather statistics of why it cannot meet a deadline and why it disapproves employee publication... and who denied it. [Section 4.3.1 - RMD response time.]
4. Oversight. Have a group of scholars meet and oversee the agency's program, (no one can police themselves). [Not in position to answer this one.]
5. Acknowledgment of receiving and processing a grievance. I used the process as described and did not receive one notice that the grievance was received and processed. The agency could have thrown it away and ignored it or I may have incorrectly filed something... It would have been nice to know. This is a constitutionally protected right or at least I think it is... [Grievance addressed through appeal process - Section 4.3.2]
6. Only accepting the written word. I would like the agency to accept videos for publication. We live in a new and modern world. People produce and publish their own videos. Time for the FBI to keep up. [Section 4.4.1: Oral, written or electronic disclosures.]
7. No consequences for not meeting deadlines. Everyone has consequences for what they do or don't do. This should be no different. When the agency head speaks to congress this is one of the points that should be brought up. If he cannot meet the deadlines then why not? [Section 4.3.1 - RMD response time.]

## Woodard requests for FBI RMD Prepublication Review:

Item	Date	Description of documents	Prepublication result
1	May 30, 2017	Woodard email to FBI PREPUB: 1. Letter to OTD AD; 2. Letter to OTD SC; and, 3. Letter to DOJ OIG.	
2	May 31, 2017	Woodard email to FBI PREPUB: 1. Text for comic.	
3	June 1, 2017	Woodard email to FBI PREPUB: 1. Boards	
4	June 1, 2017	Woodard email to FBI PREPUB: 1. Boards; and, 2. PowerPoint.	
5	July 12, 2017	Woodard email to FBI PREPUB: 1. Prepub grievance to SC Hardy.	
6	July 27, 2017	Woodard email to FBI PREPUB: 1. Complaint to DOJ DAG re FBI policy; 2. Grievance to RMD AD.	
	September 5, 2017	Woodard contacts with U.S. Congressman Robert Wittman, 1 <sup>st</sup> District, Virginia [Documents attached]	
	September 12, 2017	Congressman Wittman's office contacts FBI Office of Congressional Affairs.	
	September 29, 2017		RMD RIDS Prepub completed – sent to Woodard.
	October 4, 2017	RMD– response due to Exec Staff by October 4, 2017	

# Pre-publication Appeal

## National Security Unit

### APPEAL for PREPUBLICATION SUBMISSION REDACTIONS

Requester: Thomas A. Woodard [redacted] Date Received: October 25, 2017 b6 2

☒ Current employee [redacted]

Title: Submissions from May 30, May 31, and June 1, 2017 – Allegations of Misconduct and Retaliation -39 pages

☒ Non-Fiction

#### Summary:

Mr. Woodard has appealed several redactions made within the final approved submission. He established through an e-mail back on 10/25/2017 that he wished to formally appeal those redactions. (See attached redaction questions)

FBI Prepublication Review has decided to make one concession to a redaction taken on page 20 of final submission sent to requester. Warranted removal of FBI redactions on page 20 was based on Court documents received from Mr. Woodard.

All other redactions remain appropriate based on unwarranted invasion of privacy (Section 4.1.4 of Policy Guide)

UC [redacted] approval [redacted]

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**Mr. Woodard's Identified Disputed Redactions**

Page 13 - [REDACTED]

Page 14 - [REDACTED]

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Page 16 - [REDACTED]

Page 20 the name of a convicted criminal (Arthur Ocampo) (This is public record) and also the title "Master forensic examiner"

We have agreed, based on Court Records provided by Mr Woodard with regards to Mr. Ocampo in the form of a Plea Agreement (see attached) to remove these redactions.

Page 23 - [REDACTED]

Page 27 - [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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Page 29 - [REDACTED]

Page 30 the names are blacked out. I wish to be able to identify the people who I reported to management as the hackers. I am the victim of a crime and under the Victims of Crime Act, I have the right to be heard. I wish to exert this right and use the names of these people. I believe the privacy act should not apply to people who are committing crimes and doing so outside the scope of their duties. Just because the FBI failed to properly investigate and charge these people does not change that fact that I am still a victim of a crime. I want to be able to tell my story in my own way.

From: Thomas Woodard [mailto:[REDACTED]]  
Sent: Sunday, October 15, 2017 7:34 PM  
To: FBI.PREPUB [REDACTED]  
Subject: Woodard Redaction documents

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I have a few questions regarding the 39 Page "Redactions.PDF" document approved for publication.

1. On page 13 and 14 the words [REDACTED] are blacked out. Why? Some titles are blacked out and others are not.

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2. on page 16 the words '[REDACTED]' are blacked out. Why?

3. On page 20 the name of a convicted criminal (This is public record) are blacked out. Why? also the title "Master forensic examiner"

4. On page 23 the words [REDACTED] are blacked out. Why?

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Please let me know when you expect to have an answer to my questions.

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Regards,

Thomas A. Woodard

[REDACTED]

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Mr. Woodard's claims: This document was created by Mr Woodard and submitted via e-mail on 10/31/17

**Case Brief** - Woodard Grievance for removal of redaction of materials

**Case** - Thomas Woodard asserts his First Amendment right of free speech.

**Facts** - Thomas Woodard submitted prepublication requests and was approved for publication in part. Woodard asked about the following redactions:

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3. On page 20 the name of a convicted criminal (This is public record) are blacked out. Why? also the title "Master forensic examiner"
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**Rules** - Amendment I. Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances.

28 CFR 17.18 - Prepublication review.

FBI Prepublication Review Policy Guide (Section 4.1.4) redact portions that could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

20 CFR 402.100 - Exemption six: Clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

18 U.S. Code § 3771 - Crime victims' rights

### **Reasoning -**

#### Privacy Interests

I believe the privacy interest of the named individuals is minimal. The disclosure of this information is in the public interest. It is reasonable to believe that some of these activities would be considered Brady Material<sup>1</sup> and would give criminal attorneys an opportunity to question these individuals about their activities thus giving the accused defendant due process. It would also give lawmakers the knowledge that the agency was aware of such activities and

<sup>1</sup> <https://californiainnocenceproject.org/issues-we-face/brady-material/>